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May 31, 2011

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Subject: In the Matter of LightSquared Subsidiary LLC Request for Modification of its Authority for an Ancillary Terrestrial Component; SAT-MOD-20101118-00239

Dear Ms. Dortch:

One of government's most important challenges is to narrow the "digital divide" – the much greater rate of high-speed-Internet adoption in affluent vs. lower-income communities. Lower-income communities will only fall further behind if this divide is not addressed, so we were encouraged to learn about a company called LightSquared because of its plans to reach these underserved markets.

How, you ask, can LightSquared do this? The answer is in LightSquared's wholesale business model. This model will allow businesses without their own wireless network, such as retailers, or cellular networks that have limited geographic coverage or spectrum, such as carriers that specialize in non-contract plans that appeal to lower-income families, to develop and sell their own devices, applications, and services using LightSquared's open 4G network—at a competitive cost and without retail competition from LightSquared.

Unfortunately, LightSquared's plans have been delayed by potential GPS interference issues. LightSquared agrees that the issues must be addressed and has been working with the Federal Communications Commission and the GPS industry to do so. Therefore, we are contacting you to simply ask that you support the efforts to resolve the interference concerns so we can begin bridging the digital divide.

Sincerely,

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Chad Campbell  
House Minority Leader

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Representative Lela Alston  
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House Minority Whip

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Congressman Ed Pastor